

## CULLEN COUNTERS STATE DEPARTMENT

Says He Is Maligned Because of Politics.

### NEVER COMMITTED CRIME

**Demands Pay for Carrying Dispatches for United States Government in Turkey.**

Orian C. Cullen, of Panama, in a letter to The Times, claims that one of the reasons he is being so "outrageously maligned" by the State Department is because he is a Democrat.

In his letter, which is dated Panama, November 23, 1935, Mr. Cullen claims that he intends to bring suit against the United States Government to recover the pay due him for carrying "official dispatches" from the United States legation at Constantinople to Consul Lane, in Smyrna.

Further, he claims that he was not for the fact that he is a Democrat that pay would have been awarded him without any such controversy between himself and Assistant Secretary of State H. H. H. Putney.

### Denies Department's Allegation.

In part, Mr. Cullen's letter follows: "In view of the fact that H. H. D. Putney has been given a public letter to him, relative to a controversy I have with the State Department, I would say that I have conclusively proven in the Zone supreme court here that each and every statement of the State Department that reflects upon me is an absolute untruth.

"I was accused of seven indictments at Harrisonburg in 1935, the jury being out only a few minutes. Six indictments were thrown out as being too trivial for the court to notice. The first jury hung with seven for acquittal and five for conviction. The whole prosecution of myself at Harrisonburg was a howling farce, and the venom of the Republican officers was at times comical.

### Why Was Not Warrant Served.

"I have been in the United States several times lately, and the officers of the Supreme Court of the United States, and State Department have always known where I have been. This being the case if a warrant for my arrest exists why has it not been served? I am ready and willing to meet any and all charges in a court of justice, but object to being tried by the methods of the State Department.

"I have never committed a crime in my life, but I hereby charge the Republican party with robbing me of the amount due me as fee and expenses for carrying dispatches, with criminal libel, and the misuse and manipulation of the courts in many attempts to ruin my character.

"In common justice to a citizen of the United States and member of the Supreme Court bar, who has never been convicted of any offense against the laws of the United States or any other country, and who has had the temerity to invent a half-bearing gun superior to any of a similar character. I ask for the same publicity that has been given the State Department.

"My patent numbered 698318, granted March 23, 1932, this patent is supposed to protect me from just such persecution as I am undergoing, and I am taking the necessary steps to show up these who have so bitterly assailed me."

### MRS. WERHEIM ASKS FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE

Emma W. Werheim has sued Carl H. Werheim in the local courts for absolute divorce on statutory grounds. She also alleges that her husband in 1930 drugged himself and her two children.

Mrs. Werheim names two co-respondents in the proceedings. She asks the court to award her the custody of her children and to compel her husband to pay her suitable alimony. Campbell Carrington is named as her counsel.

### TOTAL ARMY OF MILITIA OVER HUNDRED THOUSAND

The militia strength of the United States is at present 121,308 officers and men, according to the annual report of Gen. F. G. Ainsworth, Military Secretary. All, with the exception of the militia of New Hampshire, are armed with the regulation United States magazine rifle. He estimated that fully 75 per cent of the militia would at once respond to a Federal call to repel invasion or suppress insurrection.

### A REMARKABLE FUR PURCHASE.

News of the utmost importance to the women of Washington is conveyed in the announcement of a purchase of high-grade furs by Goldenberg's at about 50 cents on the dollar. The continued warm weather has played havoc with the hopes of wholesale fur manufacturers for a brisk cold weather to create a demand for such a commodity as furs.

As a result of this condition Goldenberg's fur chief found one of the largest manufacturing furriers anxious to dispose of his stock for a very low cash figure. It is stated by the firm that more than \$12,000 worth of the finest quality furs were secured to sell at 50 cents—just about half the regular established prices. Particular stress is laid upon the high-grade qualities represented in the purchase, which are the identical sort usually found in exclusive furriers' establishments.

This splendid collection of fine furs is now being offered to the public of Washington at the same favorable terms under which it was bought at wholesale—thus affording an unexpected opportunity to secure rich and handsome furs for Christmas gifts at unexpected savings.

As an example of the remarkable values being offered is a very handsome Persian lamb coat, usually retailed at \$200, which is marked at \$125, and a regular \$150 Persian lamb jacket at \$75. Many other sorts of fashionable furs are offered at proportionate savings, among them \$69.50 near-seal fur coats at \$37.50, Sable mink stoles at \$100, which cannot be duplicated in the regular way for less than double that amount. Many other handsome furs at less expensive prices are also being sold at the same ratio.

Under the stimulus of such remarkable values it is quite natural that Goldenberg's should be first in the minds of every prospective fur buyer at the present time.

## HURRY TO SEE UNCLE SUDDENLY VANISHED

Fair Ones Try Old Gag to Get Into the Treasury.

A good illustration of the "cruel effects" of the "no admittance after 2 p. m." signs in the Government office buildings was given yesterday when two nondescript young ladies, accompanied by an elderly gentleman, presented themselves at one of the entrances to the Treasury Department about 2:20 o'clock.

To all appearances the request of the ladies should have been unhesitatingly granted. They said their uncle was an official, and they desired to see him on important business.

### Uncle Sam, Maybe.

They failed, however, to measure accurately the shrewdness of their inquisitor. The watchmen on the doors are, as a rule, fairly good readers of human nature. They can come very nearly deciding in their minds instantly and without mistake, whether the request is legitimate or not, and they have learned not to put themselves out to any great extent.

The young ladies—the man with them appeared to be satisfied to let his fair charges fight the battle—were firm in demanding that they be permitted to see their "uncle." It may have been that it was "Uncle Sam," they wanted to see. Producing a card, on which some familiar name was engraved, one of the ladies said:

"That is my uncle's name. Now we want to get in, we must see him without delay."

"I'll send for him in a moment," said the husky custodian.

"Uncle is a very busy man and may not want to leave his desk. We know where his room is and can go to it without any trouble," replied the apparently younger lady.

"I am sorry, ladies," the watchman completely ignored the gentleman; "but visitors are not permitted to enter after 2 p. m. I will send the card up if you wish."

"Uncle may be out of his office, and our time is important. We must see him right away," argued one of the young women.

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